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BY our laſt Accounts from *Madrid*, we are informed, that the King of *Spain* has ſent an Order to *Cadiz*, to releaſe the three *Engliſh* Ships taken ſome time ſince in the *Mediterranean* by *Spaniſh* Cruiſers, on pretence of their being ſome *Turkiſh* Merchants, with their Effects on board; and that his Catholick Majeſty has likewiſe ſent an Order to the *Havanna*, to releaſe an *Engliſh* Ship taken in thoſe Seas by one of the *Spaniſh* Guarda Coſtas, on preſence of her having carried on a contraband Trade, providing the Maſter or Owners give Security to pay the Value of the Ship and Cargo, in Caſe it ſhould appear upon the Trial, that the Ship was actually engaged in carrying on a contraband Trade. In both theſe Caſes it is to be hoped, the Captors will be obliged, at leaſt, to make good the full Damages the *Engliſh* Merchants have ſuſtained by ſeizing and Detaining their Ships, in Caſe it ſhould appear, that there was no juſt Pretence for the Seizure. In all ſuch Caſes a ſimple Releaſement is not certainly a ſufficient Attonement to the Party injured, becauſe he has an undoubted Right to inſiſt not only upon having his Damages made good, but alſo upon having ſuch a Puniſhment inflicted upon the Offenders, as may deter others from being guilty of the like foul Practices in Time to come. Without ſuch an Attonement, it is impoſſible the *Britiſh* Commerce can be ſafe in any Part of the World where it can be interrupted by a *Spaniſh* Cruiſer, or Guarda Coſta; for if an Opinion ſhould prevail amorg the *Spaniards*, that they may ſeize *Engliſh* Ships without any Danger of being puniſhed, or obliged to make good the Damages in Caſe of an unjuſt Seizure, they will certainly on ſome Pretence or other, ſeize every *Engliſh* Ship they can make themſelves Maſters of; becauſe by ſo doing they will always have a Chance for being Gainers, without any Hazard of being Loſers; therefore it is not to be doubted but that the *Britiſh* Court will inſiſt upon ſuch an Attonement's being made, in every Caſe where it will appear that any *Britiſh* Subject has been injured by an unjuſt Seizure.

Towards the End of laſt Month, the World was ſurprized with the News of a Marriage being concluded between *Don Carlos*, King of the two *Sicilies*, and the Princeſs Royal of *Poland*, born at *Dreſden*, *Sept.* 13 O. S. 1724. This Marriage is by ſome aſcribed to a political View; and that it is to be the Baſis of a new Treaty between the Courts of *Vienna*, *Madrid* and *Naples*; by which the Emperor is to be powerfully aſſiſted in his War againſt the *Turks*: But others aſcribe it to Love only, by telling us, that the Queen of *Spain* having ſent for the Pictures of four Princeſſes qualified by their Age and Birth to marry the King her Son, cauſed them to be put up in his Cloſet, when he was out a Hunting; and upon his Return, he immediately took Notice of the four new Pictures put up in his Cloſet; whereupon one of his Miniſters, entruſted by the Queen of *Spain* for that Purpoſe, aſked him, Which of thoſe four young Ladies he thought the handſomeſt, without telling him who the Originals were? The young Monarch upon this fix'd his Eye upon the Picture of the Princeſs Royal of *Poland*, and ſaid, were he to take his Choice, the Lady whoſe Picture that was, ſhould be a Wife for him. Then ſays the Miniſter, *If your Majeſty pleaſes to turn the Back Side of the Picture, and you'll ſee who it is.* Whereupon he eagerly turned the back Side, and upon finding *Mary-Amelia* Princeſs Royal of *Poland* wrote upon it, he preſently ſaid, *She ſhall be my Queen, and this Inſtant I'll write my Mind to the King my Father and the Queen my Mother.*

From ſome late Accounts, there ſeems to be Ground to believe that a new Congreſs will ſpeedily be held for reſtoring Peace between the *Ottoman* Empire and the Empires of *Germany* and *Ruſſia*; for from *Peterſburgh* we hear, that Mr. *Rondeau*, the *Britiſh* Miniſter, and Mr. *Zwart*, the *Dutch* Miniſter, at that Court, have, with the Czarina's Leave, wrote reſpectively to Sir *Everard Fawkener*, Ambaſſador from the King of *Great Britain*, and Mr. *Kalkoen*, Ambaſſador from the States General of the United Provinces, to the *Ottoman* Porte, that the Empreſs of *Ruſſia* has accepted the Mediation of his *Britannick* Majeſty and their High Mightineſſes, in Conjunction with that of *France*, for bringing about a Peace. And from *Conſtantinople* we hear, that the Marquis *de Villeneuve*, the *French* Ambaſſador at the *Porte*, together with the ſaid Sir *Everard Fawkener* and Mr. *Kalkoen*, have had a Conference with the *Kamaikan*, at which he declared to them, that the Grand Signior had accepted the Mediation of *France*, *Great-Britain*, and *Holland* for bringing about an Accommodation between his Sublime Highneſs, and the Powers he was then at War with.

The ill Succeſs of the *Turks* in their late Attempt upon *Oczakow*, of which we gave an Account in our laſt, may probably contribute a good deal to the Succeſs of this Mediation; and now it appears, that the precipitate Retreat of the Turkiſh Army from before that Place, was owing, as we then conjectured, to a falſe Alarm; for by Letters from *Conſtantinople* we have been ſince informed, that the Baſhaw of *Bender*, who commanded at the Siege, endeavours to excuſe his ill Succeſs and haſty Retreat, by ſaying he received Advice from very good Hands, as he had Reaſon to believe, that the *Ruſſian* Army was advancing, by long Marches to the Relief of the Town, and that they had even approached ſo near, that he was in great Danger of having his Retreat cut off. This Excuſe however, 'tis thought, will not ſave his Head, the rather becauſe, the People murmur extreamly at his having been intruſted with the Command and Direction of that Siege, inſtead of Count *Bonneval*, who was at firſt deſign'd, and who would certainly have been appointed, if this Baſhaw had not very unwiſely made uſe of all his Intereſt in the *Seraglio*, to obtain this Command.

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On Saturday towards Night the hot Weather we had for ſome Days before, was ſuddenly alter'd by a violent Guſt of Wind and Rain, intermix'd with Thunder and Lightning